

# FCC Ex Parte Presentation: Implementation of ATSC Standards

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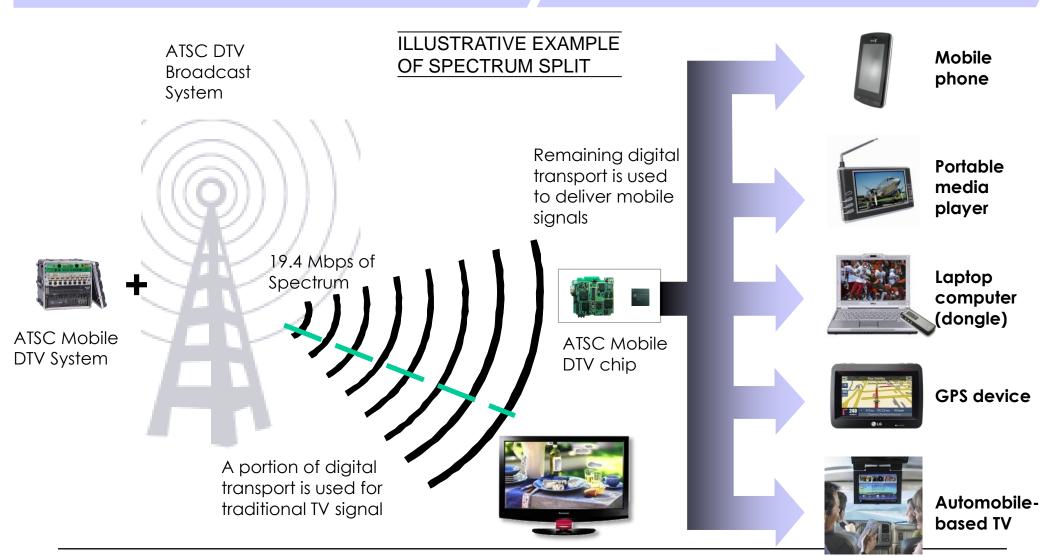
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#### ATSC Mobile DTV Overview



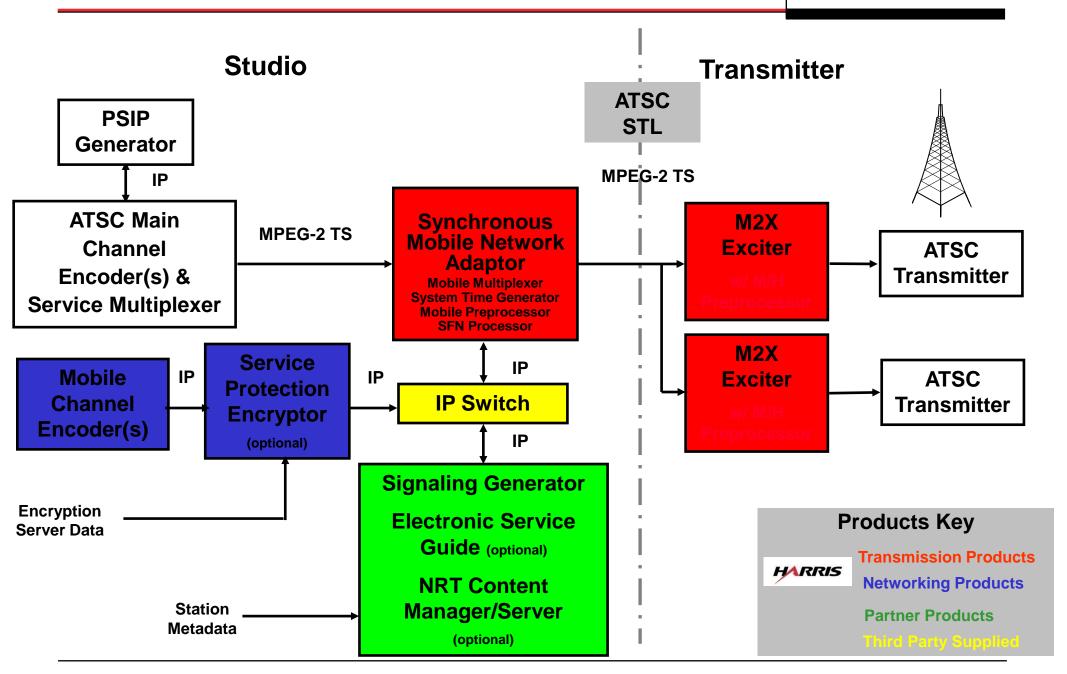
DTV stations transmit mobile TV signal with addition of ATSC Mobile DTV system

Consumers receive mobile TV signal on many different devices via ATSC Mobile DTV chip and module



# System Architecture with Full ATSC M/H & SFN





#### ATSC Mobile DTV Features



# Robust physical layer

- High immunity to drop-outs and burst noise
- No need for receiver antenna diversity
- Up to 12.5 db system gain over regular ATSC channel
- High-Speed reception up to 300 km/h

# Data efficient and completely scalable

- 3.667 Mbps of ATSC TS could provide up to 980 Kbps mobile/handheld service
- Scalable coding for selectable robustness of signal
- Efficiency ranges from 37% to 17% depending on the level of coding

# Power savings for handheld devices due to bursted transmission

Allows receiver RF circuitry to be ON part-time to save battery life

#### ATSC Mobile DTV Features



- IP based mobile payload
  - Supports stream and non real time file delivery
  - Enables cross media compatibility
  - Utilizes efficient AVC h.264 video coding and AAC-HE audio coding
- Each RF channel is capable of delivering up to 8 individually coded mobile IP data streams (Ensemble)
  - Each IP data stream can support multiple services...Video+Audio, Audio only, Service Guide, NRT services, etc.
  - System maintains at least 4.7 Mbps legacy ATSC in TS
- System supports service protection which enables
  - Viewer identification
  - Access control
  - Paid service offerings

# Suppliers of MDTV Receivers



- LG
- Samsung
- Dell
- Hauppauge
- Vizio
- Wiengard
- Valups
- Pixtree
- Crestech
- Dotel
- Enspert

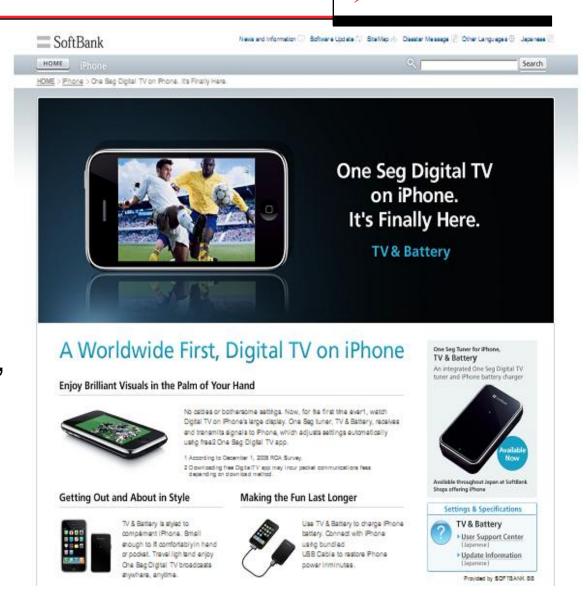
- iMovee
- DTV Interactive
- Emperor Corp.
- Michley Tivax

Eighteen receiver manufacturers showed ATSC Mobile DTV receiving devices at CES 2011

#### Valups - Tivizen Mobile TV Accessory



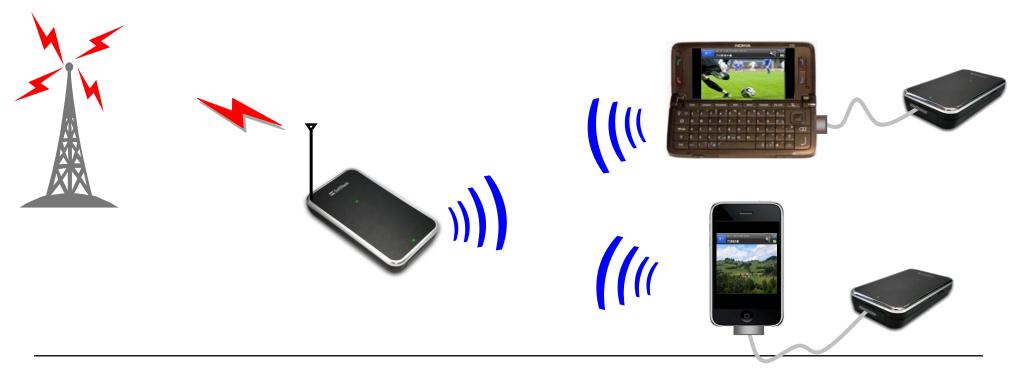
- 100K sold in Japan for iPhone & iPod Touch within the first year.
- 1st ATSC host device –
   iPhone, iPad & iPod Touch
- Clients being developed in other markets for RIM, Nokia, Samsung Jet (CDMA), LG Arena (CDMA)
- Other types of devices
  - PC
  - Portable TV
  - Digital Photo Frame
  - In-vehicle backseat & navigator



### How Tivizen Works



- Pairs with host device over WiFi
- Can be located in area of strong signal strength
- Battery offers backup power to host device
- Also supports PVR function with "Sling box-like" feature



### Mobile DTV Widgets



- Mobile DTV initial focus: Television services
- Widgets add broadcast data services to the mix
- Types: Global or Synchronized
  - Global: Not associated with a TV/radio service, e.g. news
  - Synchronized: Associated with and synchronized to TV channel/program, e.g. merchandising



# Mobile DTV Application Samples



- Traditional video and audio is just the start!
  - Electronic Coupon delivery
  - Auto Stereo 3D on a mobile device
  - Mobile Digital Signage
  - RSScaster and Clipcaster
  - Traffic and Travel Information
  - Emergency Alerting
  - Interactive "Tweeting" with program participants

# Mobile DTV Applications Sample





**Electronic Couponing** 



**Mobile 3DTV** 



**Digital Signage** 



Interactivity

# Planning for MDTV Implementation



**Bandwidth Requirements** 

Studio Facility Requirements

Transmitter Requirements

**Optimizing Mobile Coverage** 

# **Bandwidth Requirements**



# **Main Channel Basics**

- ATSC A/53 has 19.39 Mbps payload capability
- The FCC requires all digital broadcasters to provide at a minimum 1 SD NTSC quality free-to-air program service
- ATSC program guide (PSIP) requires about 0.5 Mbps
- Typical SD service in MPEG2 requires 2-4 Mbps
- Typical HD service in MPEG2 requires 10-14 Mbps



#### **Mobile DTV Basics**

- ATSC Mobile DTV channels are scaleable in number and level of robustness
- Robustness is a function of coding level and it also drives payload efficiency
  - Half rate = 37%, Mixed rate = 26%, Quarter rate=17%
- Streams with the same level of robustness (coding) can be assembled into an ensemble
- Main channel contribution is made in increments (Groups)
  - .917mbps, 1.83mbps, 2.750mbps, 3.667mbps, 4.584mbps5.501mbps, 6.418mbps, 7.334mbps

#### Half Rate Mode



SCCC Outer Code Rate (for each Group Region)									
A B C D			P	NoG	NP	ET (=EP)	PDRP (Kbps)	MDRL (Mbps)	
	1/2	1/2 1/2 1/2 48 5 6	1/2		1	202	34.1	312.2	0.917
					2	407	34.3	629.1	1.834
				48	3	612	34.4	945.9	2.750
4.10					4	817	34.4	1262.8	3.667
1/2					5	1021	34.4	1578.1	4.584
			6	1226	34.4	1894.9	5.501		
					1431	34.5	2211.8	6.418	
					8	1636	34.5	2528.7	7.334

PDRP = Payload Data Rate for Ensemble

MDRL = Main Data Rate applied to MDTV

#### Mixed Rate Mode



SCCC Outer Code Rate (for each Group Region)						NP			
A B C D			   P	NoG	ET (=EP)		PDRP (Kbps)	MDRL (Mbps)	
	1/4	1/4	1/4		1	155	26.1	239.6	0.917
					2	313	26.4	483.8	1.834
				48	3	471	26.5	728.0	2.750
4/0					4	628	26.5	970.7	3.667
1/2					5	786	26.5	1214.9	4.584
					6	944	26.5	1459.1	5.501
					7	1102	26.5	1703.3	6.418
					8	1259	26.5	1946.0	7.334

PDRP = Payload Data Rate for Ensemble

MDRL = Main Data Rate applied to MDTV

## **Quarter Rate Mode**



SCCC Outer Code Rate (for each Group Region)									
A B C D			P	NoG	NP	ET (=EP)	PDRP (Kbps)	MDRL (Mbps)	
					1	202	16.9	154.6	0.917
					2	407	17.0	312.2	1.834
					3	612	17.1	471.4	2.750
4/4	4/4	4/4			4	817	17.2	629.1	3.667
1/4	1/4	1/4   1/4   1/4	1/4	48	5	1021	17.2	786.7	4.584
				6	6	1226	17.2	945.5	5.501
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PDRP = Payload Data Rate for Ensemble

MDRL = Main Data Rate applied to MDTV

#### Example: Two high-quality programs



#### Two high-quality programs - 1/2, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4

Video bit rate	1100	kbps
Audio bitrate	48	kbps
Overhead	62	kbps
Total MH bandwidth	4.585	Mbps
Remaining Legacy DTV Bandwidth	14.805	Mbps

#### Two high-quality programs - 1/4, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4

Video bit rate	1100 kbps
Audio bitrate	48 kbps
Overhead	106 kbps
Total MH bandwidth	7.336 Mbps
Remaining Legacy DTV Bandwidth	12.054 Mbps

#### Example: Two mid-quality programs



#### Two mid-quality programs - 1/2, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4

Video bit rate	800	kbps
Audio bitrate	48	kbps
Overhead	120	kbps
Total MH bandwidth	3.668	Mbps
Remaining Legacy DTV Bandwidth	15.722	Mbps

#### Two mid-quality programs - 1/4, 1/4, 1/4, 1/4

Video bit rate	800	kbps
Audio bitrate	48	kbps
Overhead	92	kbps
Total MH bandwidth	5.502	Mbps
Remaining Legacy DTV Bandwidth	13.888	Mbps

# Optimizing Mobile Coverage



- ATSC Mobile DTV reception is based on different planning factors than terrestrial DTV reception
  - Receive antenna height 45" vs. 30 ft.
  - Receive antenna gain -20db to -3db vs. 0db
  - System SNR 3.5 7.0db vs. 15db
- Field testing has shown that the "radio horizon" is the limit to reliable mobile/handheld coverage
  - Typically line of sight from TX antenna to receiver
  - Limitations typically are terrain and buildings
  - Flat terrain + tall towers + H&V pol + max power = 35
    -45 mile coverage

#### VHF Observations



### Average Received Signal Strength UHF vs. VHF

#### **Link Budget Differences**

#### **Average Field Strength**

	VHF	UHF		UHF	VHF	Adjusted VHF
Antenna Gain	-3.1 dB	0.0 dB	Open	-31.8 dBm	-56.0 dBm	-53.3 dBm
Tx Power	-4.0 dB	0.0 dB	Woods	-38.2 dBm	-55.7 dBm	-53.0 dBm
Tx Cable	3.6 dB	0.0 dB	Office	-45.2 dBm	-72.0 dBm	-69.3 dBm
Rx Cable	0.5 dB	0.0 dB	House	-57.9 dBm	-75.2 dBm	-72.5 dBm
Rx Ant. VSWR	-9.5 dB	0.0 dB				
Free space loss	9.8 dB	0.0 dB	Vehicle	-40.6 dBm	-64.9 dBm	-62.2 dBm
Adjustment Factor	-2.7 dB	0.0 dB	Avg	-42.7 dBm	-64.8 dBm	-62.1 dBm

VHF had 19.4 dB less average signal strength than UHF

#### Small Receive Antennas



# Harold Wheeler defined the fundamental limitations of electrically small antennas based on their size

Electrically small antenna – max dimension ≤ λ/2π

~3" UHF

~8.5" VHF

**Max power factor:** 

 $P_{\text{max}} = (ka)^3$ 

a = antenna volume radius

 $k = 2\pi/\lambda$ 



Solve for the max power ratio difference between 210 MHz and 700 MHz

$$\frac{\rho_{v}}{\rho_{u}} = 10\log\left[\frac{\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_{v}}a\right)^{3}}{\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_{u}}a\right)^{3}}\right] = 10\log\left(\left(\frac{\lambda_{u}}{\lambda_{v}}\right)^{3}\right) \approx -15dB$$

Wheeler Limit dictates the best VHF/UHF receive ratio of an electrically small antenna will be -15 dB

# Summary



- Broadcast equipment manufacturers are continuously innovating and looking to implement greater efficiencies to maximize the power of the ATSC standard and broadcasters use of bandwidth to offer more innovative services.
- Decisions on the necessary bandwidth for broadcasters must be informed and based on the needs of future broadcast services/applications. Decisions should not be solely based on maintaining the status quo.
- There are constraints utilizing the VHF spectrum for Mobile DTV services that must be understood. Broadcasters should not be forced into the VHF spectrum
- Any channel sharing or auction paradigm must be implemented on a voluntary basis and provide broadcasters the ability maintain their current level of service and implement new service offerings (i.e., MDTV and NRT).



# Thank You!

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